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FOUR MEXICAN CITIZENS INDICTED ON DRUG CHARGES

PRESS RELEASE

INDIANAPOLIS - Rosalba Acevedo, age 31, Heriberto Ibanez Garcia, age 38, Lenin Aguirre, age unknown, and Juan Castillo, age unknown, citizens of Mexico, now incarcerated in the Marion County Jail, were indicted today by a federal grand jury in Indianapolis with conspiracy to possess with the intent to distribute 500 grams or more of methamphetamine. Acevedo, Garcia and Aguirre were also charged with distributing methamphetamine. The indictment followed an investigation by the Drug Enforcement Administration and the Metro Drug Task Force of the Indianapolis Metropolitan Police Department.

Acevedo, Garcia, Aguirre and Castillo were arrested on February 25, 2010 by law enforcement after surveillance of the defendants uncovered the fact that they were in the process of distributing methamphetamine in the Indianapolis area.

According to Assistant U.S. Attorney Josh J. Minkler, who is prosecuting the case for the government, Acevedo, Garcia, Aguirre, and Castillo each face a maximum of life imprisonment years in prison and a \$4,000,000 fine. Acevedo, Garcia and Aguirre also face a maximum sentence of 20 years in prison and a \$1,000,000 fine for distributing methamphetamine. An initial hearing will be scheduled for in the near future before a U.S. Magistrate Judge.

An indictment is only a charge and is not evidence of guilt. A defendant is presumed innocent and is entitled to a fair trial at which the government must prove guilt beyond a reasonable doubt.

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